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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CARGO CHARTER PROGRAM

1. SUPPLEMENTAL AIRLINE INDUSTRY HAS APPROACHED DEPT AND CAB WITH SUBSTANTIAL CARGO CHARTER PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDES JAPAN. UNDER PROPOSAL APPROXIMATELY THREE 747 CARGO FLIGHTS PER WEEK WOULD OPERATE WESTBOUND ONLY THROUGH TOKYO FOR UP TO ONE YEAR, I. E., MAXIMUM OF 156 FLIGHTS.

2. DEPT UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE FROM SUPPLEMENTALS TO TAKE UP CHARTER FLIGHT QUESTION WITH JAPAN ON URGENT BASIS. DEPT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS ASAP AS TO WHETHER APPROACHING JAPANESE AT THIS TIME WOULD BE USEFUL OR PRODUCTIVE, AND WHAT APPROACH MIGHT HAVE GREATEST CHANCE OF SUCCESS FOR CARGO CHARTER PROGRAM.

FYI. US CIVAIR DELEGATION WILL BE IN AUSTRALIA IN EARLY MAY. SUPPLEMENTAL INDUSTRY RECOMMENDING WEEK OF MAY 14 BE DEVOTED TO CONSULTATIONS IN JAPAN. END FYI. ROGERS

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